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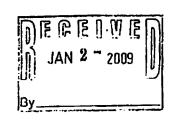
Please see the affidavit of publication and certificate of mailing which Aqua is preparing to file in compliance with the Commission's initial transmittal letter in this docket. Because Aqua has given its customers actual and constructive notice of its filing, Aqua would respectfully request that it be required only to publish an amended notice containing the new hearing date, there being no need under these circumstances to mail notice again to the customers. The ORS has no objection to Aqua's request.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

#### DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

#### NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

#### DOCKET NO. 2009-12-5

APPLICATION OF AQUA SOUTH CAROLINA, INC., FORMERLY BROOKSIDE SEWER DISTRICT, INC. FOR ADJUST-MENTS IN RATES AND CHARGES FOR WASTEWATER SERVICES

Aqua South Carolina, Inc. ("Aqua" or "the Company") has filed an application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") for adjustments in rates and charges for wastewater services. The Application was filed plusulant to \$5.0-240 (Supp. 2007) and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-512-4(Supp. 2007). The Company's service area includes approximately 400 customers in the Brookside Village Subdivision in Spirtanburg. South Carolina. According to the Application, the last wastewater rate increase was more than 12 years ago in February 1996. The Application reveals that during the twalve month test year editing June 30, 2008, the Company lost \$42,456. Further, after adjustments for known and measurable changes, the loss is \$130,728 and the Operating Margin is regarded (30.25%). The Company assets that the current costs outpace revenues and with no funds to pay expenses, the Company continues to borrow funds to pay for daily operations. Thus, the requested funds in the Application are nocessary to maintain customers' quality of service.

The Company is requesting a rate increase, which would increase the monthly flat rate currently paid by customers from \$20.50 to \$42.73. Additionally, the top fee for new connections outside the Brookside Village Subdivision would increase, if approved, from \$400.00 per single family equivalent to \$500.00 per single family equivalent.

A copy of the Company's Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of Solidi Carolina, Doctating Department, P.O. Drawer 11649, Columbia, South Carolina 29211. Additionally, Aqua's Application is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.cc.gov.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, 401 Executive Center Dr., Columbia, S.C., on Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 40:30 a.m.:

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Proctice and Procedure, on or before February 17, 2009 and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for recorder of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. Please refer to Dockee No. 2009-12-5.

Any person who wishes to testily and present evidence at the hearing should notify in writing the Docketing Department at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, at 1401Mein Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201-and-Scott Elliett, Esquire, 72.1 Gilve-Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205 on at before February 17, 2007; and indicate the amount of time required for the presentation. Ploase refer to Docket No. 2009-12-5.

Any person who writing to request a hearing in his or her country of residence should notify out or before Februlary 17, 2009, in writing, the Cocketing Department at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, at 1401 Main Street, Suits 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 and Scott Elliott, Elliott & Elliott, P.A., 721 Give Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205. Please refer to Docket No., 2009-12-5.

Any person, who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before February 17, 2009. Please refer to Docket No. 2009-12-S.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding <u>MUST</u> present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seaking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Cerolina
Attn: Docketing Department
Post Office Drawer 11649
\*Columbia, SC 29211

## BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Pursuant to the Notice of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina in this Docket, I hereby certify that a Notice of Filing and Hearing was mailed to each affected customer of Aqua South Carolina Inc., on or before January 27, 2009.

Kimberly Joyce

For Aqua South Carolina Inc.

Date:



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